

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Egypt's Crisis

THE events in Egypt moved swiftly over the weekend to a crisis which threatens the country's political stability and is allowed to deteriorate further will take Egypt to the brink of civil war. The very stability which the Revolutionary Council has infused into the country since the deposition of King Farouk in July, 1952 has been shaken to the foundations by the Naguib-Nasser dispute. Certainly the disbanding of the Revolutionary Council in preparation for the forthcoming general elections for a constituent assembly was interpreted by various elements in the community as a relaxation of the rigid grip which the Council has maintained on Egypt during its administration. The Moslem Brotherhood has reappeared on the scene with its old fire and vigour demanding a holy war against the British; the trades unionists supporting the Nasser faction of the Council and the student groups supporting the Naguib faction have, by their demonstrations and strikes, heightened the tension and brought the country to the stage where a harsher application of the existing martial law can be expected. If Naguib has done one thing he has demonstrated there has been no basic change within the more rabid political elements of Egypt and they have been waiting for just an opportunity as this, to reassert themselves to show that their power has not diminished in the slightest. A change could hardly be expected in just over two years. Naguib should have realised that.

A rapprochement between Naguib and Nasser is essential and it is necessary for Egypt's safety that the Revolutionary Council should maintain control of the country at the present stage if the aims of the Revolution are to be attained. Naguib obviously realises his recent dispute with Colonel Nasser has seriously jeopardised the Council's authority. The break-off of the Suez Canal talks must have convinced him of this. His precipitate decision to restore complete political freedom in Egypt does nothing to enhance his reputation of solidity and reliability, however. Rather it suggests panic. What useful purpose was to be served by releasing 500 members of the Moslem Brotherhood goaded for activities which threatened the stability of the State?

IT is tolerantly accepted in the world today that to impose authority upon an unwilling community it is necessary, even essential, to resort to arbitrary methods. Such accusations were levelled against Kemal Ataturk in his attempts to convert Turkey from an archaic medieval Eastern Sultanate into the modern Republic it is today. For better or worse, the means justified the end. It may therefore be many years before the true character of the new Egyptian Republic emerges, and a general amnesty on the lines decreed by General Naguib on Friday is no way to ensure the success of the revolution, even if it does enhance the popularity of its instigator. If General Naguib has the interest of Egypt at heart he must not allow himself to be blinded by his desire to achieve the revolution "overnight" as it were. Colonel Nasser has proved himself a wise and able counsellor in the past and it appears the only course left to Naguib is to come to terms with his opponent and for the two leaders to work together for the preservation of law and order in the community and the growth of the new Republic.

FIRE-GUTTED TROOPSHIP STILL AFLOAT

The Bikini Test First-Hand Report For Eisenhower

Washington, Mar. 28. The Chairman of the United States Atomic Energy Commission, Mr. Lewis Strauss, returned from the Pacific atomic proving grounds today to give President Eisenhower a first-hand report on the recent test at Bikini. Well-informed sources meanwhile said that the next American test of an even more powerful thermo-nuclear device than exploded on March 1 would go ahead as scheduled in spite of concern expressed overseas. The influential Washington Post and Times Herald took up the theme in a leading article today which warned that the United States would be "branded with the mark of Cain for having polluted" the waters of the Pacific in the March 1 explosion. Well-informed sources nonetheless said the Atomic Energy Commission was going ahead with its hydrogen bomb tests in spite of such concern. A Congressional source, Mr. James Van Zandt, disclosed over the weekend that the next biggest test of a thermo-nuclear device would take place between April 18 and 20. It was suggested that the precise date would be determined by wind and weather conditions. Scientists, it was understood, were being "super cautious," lest winds scatter radioactive ashes over a wide area as was reported to have occurred following the March 1 test. —Reuter.

Bomb Outrage At Race Track

Agadir, Morocco, Mar. 28. The Pasha of Agadir, Sid el Madani, was wounded in the thigh and one Moroccan was killed today when a hand grenade exploded in the Pasha's official box here at the local race track. Three other people were seriously injured and three officials also had to be taken to hospital. Some Europeans were slightly hurt but were able to go home. The Police made an arrest. Three other grenades were thrown but failed to explode after three Foreign Legionnaires had intervened harmlessly. —France-Press.

Aleutians Quake

Cleveland, Mar. 28. A "strong earthquake," possibly on the western tip of the Aleutian Islands, was recorded here at 3.47 p.m. today on the seismograph at John Carroll University. Seismologist Fr. Henry Birkenbauer said the quake "could have caused damage." —United Press.

Baghdad Still In Danger From Flood Waters

Baghdad, Mar. 28. King Faisal II of Iraq, who returned from a tour of Pakistan today, later flew over the flooded area east of the city which is still threatening Baghdad itself. The Irrigation Service announced today that the danger no longer arose from the swollen Tigris River, which was now subsiding, but from the enormous pressure of water which originally flowed through specially blasted breaches from the river and which has now formed a huge lake east of the city. It was feared that the water pressure on the dykes outside the city might cause them to give in. An irrigation official said that if the dykes did give, no part of the city would be safe. The breaches blasted in the Tigris banks were originally to lower the river level before its waters reached the Baghdad area.

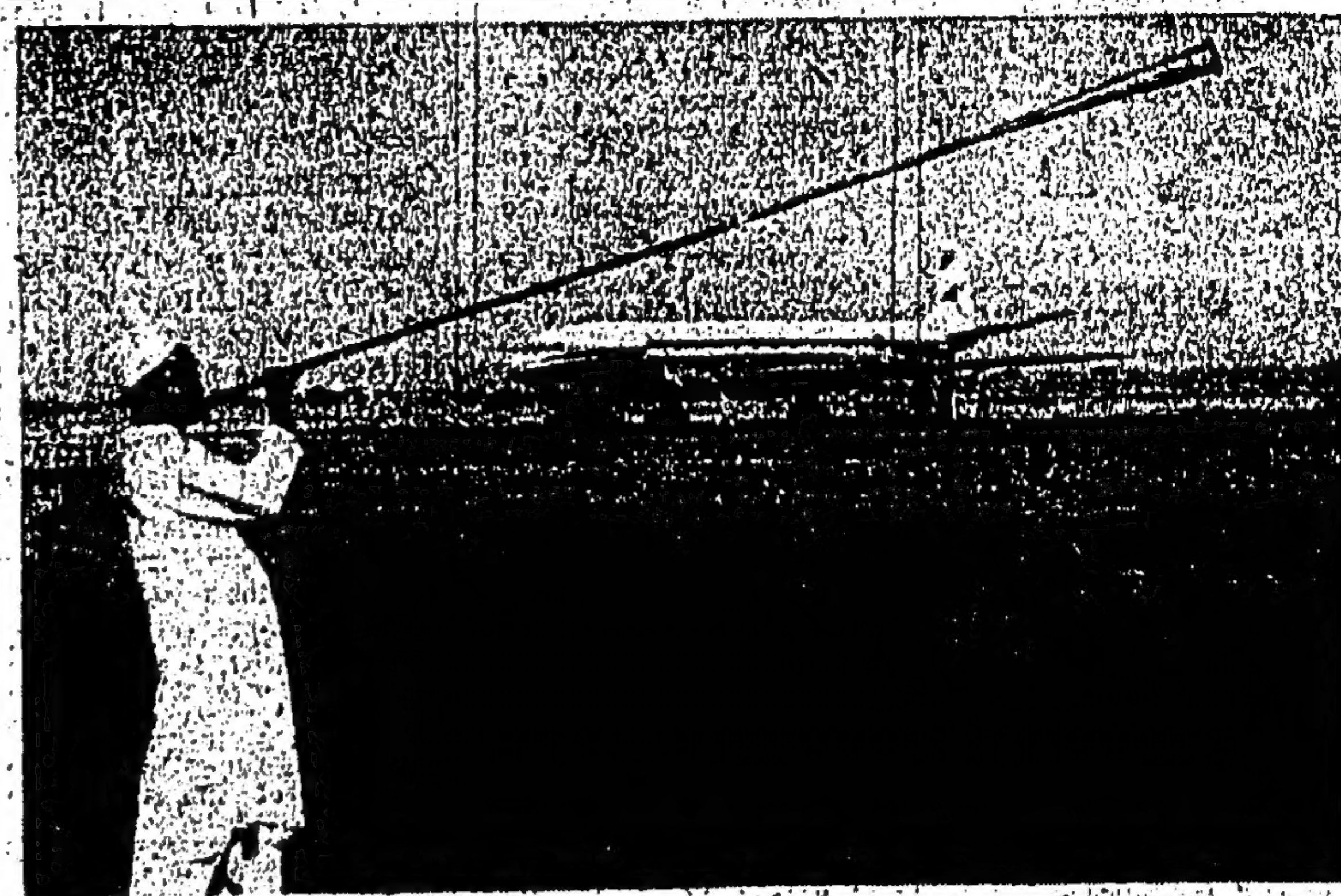
Officer's Description Of Disaster Survivors May Be Flown Home

Algiers, Mar. 29. The British troopship Empire Windrush, gutted by a sudden fire off Algiers yesterday, was still afloat last night after 1,424 men, women and children aboard had taken to lifeboats. An officer and three of the crew died in a vain effort to fight the fire. A naval officer among the rescued said on landing here last night there was a small explosion in the engine room where the blaze started, but British Consular officials denied knowledge of reported sabotage. The men, women and children, mostly servicemen and their families, calmly took to the boats when they were told to abandon ship. The commanding officer of the troops aboard the Empire Windrush is Lieutenant-Colonel R.W.H. Scott of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. Among the 1,288 troops were 370 national servicemen and 79 regulars due for release, 17 invalids and 228 men due for home leave.

A British naval officer who declined to give his name told Reuters by telephone from the reception centre in Algiers: "A small explosion took place in the boiler room or the engine room. Smoke immediately penetrated to the passenger accommodation just above. "I was with my wife and three children and we were awakened by the smoke. We immediately got up and hurriedly dressed while I collected some clothes but everything happened so rapidly after that that very few people had time. Half an hour after the explosion the order to abandon ship was given. "There was no panic whatever and the behaviour of the crew and military personnel was exemplary. "The officer said the only casualties were three sailors and an electrician who were on duty in the engine room. All communication with the engine room ceased when the explosion took place. "No one was injured, though several burned their hands sliding down ropes to the boats. The women and children left first and the last men were in a great hurry. "The weather was very good—calm, with a slight breeze and no waves. "The general feeling on board was that we could not have had better conditions for abandoning ship. "As we left we saw three steamers approaching in response to our first SOS at 8.20 a.m. I looked at my watch and by that time everyone had left the ship. "When we finally left the fire had taken hold amidships and the flames were clearly visible. We could even feel the heat from our lifeboats several hundred yards away. It was like a furnace. "On behalf of all the passengers I should like to say how much we were impressed by the fine conduct of the soldiers and sailors, who behaved coolly and efficiently from beginning to end. There was no panic at any time and even the children remained cool. "When arrived at Algiers we were pleased and surprised at the welcome we got. "About 100 married families—350 of us—have been lodged in chalets in a suburb outside Algiers. The unmarried sailors and soldiers are in barracks. "We are being looked after by the Mayor of Algiers, who is giving out clothing to those who need it. He has even managed to find children's clothes. "Lloyds agent at Algiers said tonight that four engineers had been killed in an explosion in the engine room of the Windrush. "The vessel was reported still afloat and burning. "The British tug Dexterous and a salvage vessel are on their way to the abandoned ship. "A British aircraft which flew over the Empire Windrush at 3 p.m. GMT reported that the ship was still afloat. The tug St. Louis of Algiers was standing by her and trying to take her in tow. "Some reports said that there was a number of Japanese wives of British servicemen among the survivors. —Reuter.

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Removal Of Naguib From Public Life Under Discussion

Cairo, Mar. 28. The conference of the Revolutionary Council and the Cabinet, to try to settle President Mohammed Naguib's dispute with the military junta, broke up tonight without any decisions being reached, Cairo Radio reported. The broadcast said the conference would resume its meeting tomorrow. Major Amin Shaker, spokesman for the Council, said earlier: "The joint Cabinet, Junta and Congress at present are discussing whether Naguib should be removed from public life, in view of the steadily growing consensus of public opinion."

The Revolution Council has received more than 1,400 cables from all parts of Egypt, condemning Naguib. The Workers' Union, Syndicate, University and school students and social and intellectual organisations sent cables. Cairo Radio said that after the conference Naguib met with Abdel Nasser, Salah Salem and others for 20 minutes and then saw King Saud of Saudi Arabia, who is on a visit here. Meanwhile, a group of lawyers calling themselves the "Free Lawyers", announced a hunger strike until the Council rescinds its resolutions of Thursday. The move was joined by a number of students in Cairo, Helwan and Azhar Universities. Major Salem appealed for calm and an end of the strike. FORCES SHOWDOWN The military junta had forced a showdown with the President tonight over his determination to restore a civilian government. Police and naval forces presented in the test of strength. Major Salem, Minister of National Guidance, indicated that the Army too was behind Nasser, when he said in a speech to demonstrators, "All officers and all units throughout the country have unanimously resolved that the Revolutionary Council shall remain in power."

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The Warning Trumpet



The Emir of Kado would not permit an airfield to operate on his land unless his personal trumpeter was allowed to sound warning whenever a plane landed or departed. The jet fighter on the airfield is owned by the Union Aeronautique de Transport, the French company operating a West African air route. —London Express.

Mau Mau "General" Surrenders

Nairobi, Mar. 29. A second Mau Mau "General" surrendered today as a result of the Government's recent offer by thumbing a lift on an army lorry in the South Mberere region. He is "General Kaliba," last of captured "General Chikwa" battalion commanders in the Mount Kenya region. "General Kaliba" stopped a lorry of the 7th Battalion the King's African Rifles in the Rugara location, about nine miles north of Karatina in the South Mberere reserve this morning, General Sir George Erskine's Headquarters announced. He formally surrendered himself to a Kenya regiment sergeant "Bunt" Allison, who was travelling in the lorry. Sergeant Allison drove his prisoner to Nyeri and handed him over to special branch police. General Erskine's Headquarters said: "Kaliba is known to have been one of the most successful of 'Chikwa' sub-chiefs and was tipped to succeed him when 'Chikwa' was captured last January. There can be no doubt that his surrender is directly attributable to contacts made with him through the medium of 'Chikwa'. —Reuter.

During the talks the demonstrators boiled in Cairo. There were also incidents in Alexandria. But in almost every case strong riot squads of police, bearing clubs and rifles, held the crowds in check until the Cabinet session started. A screaming crowd then gathered outside the Presidency gates. —United Press.

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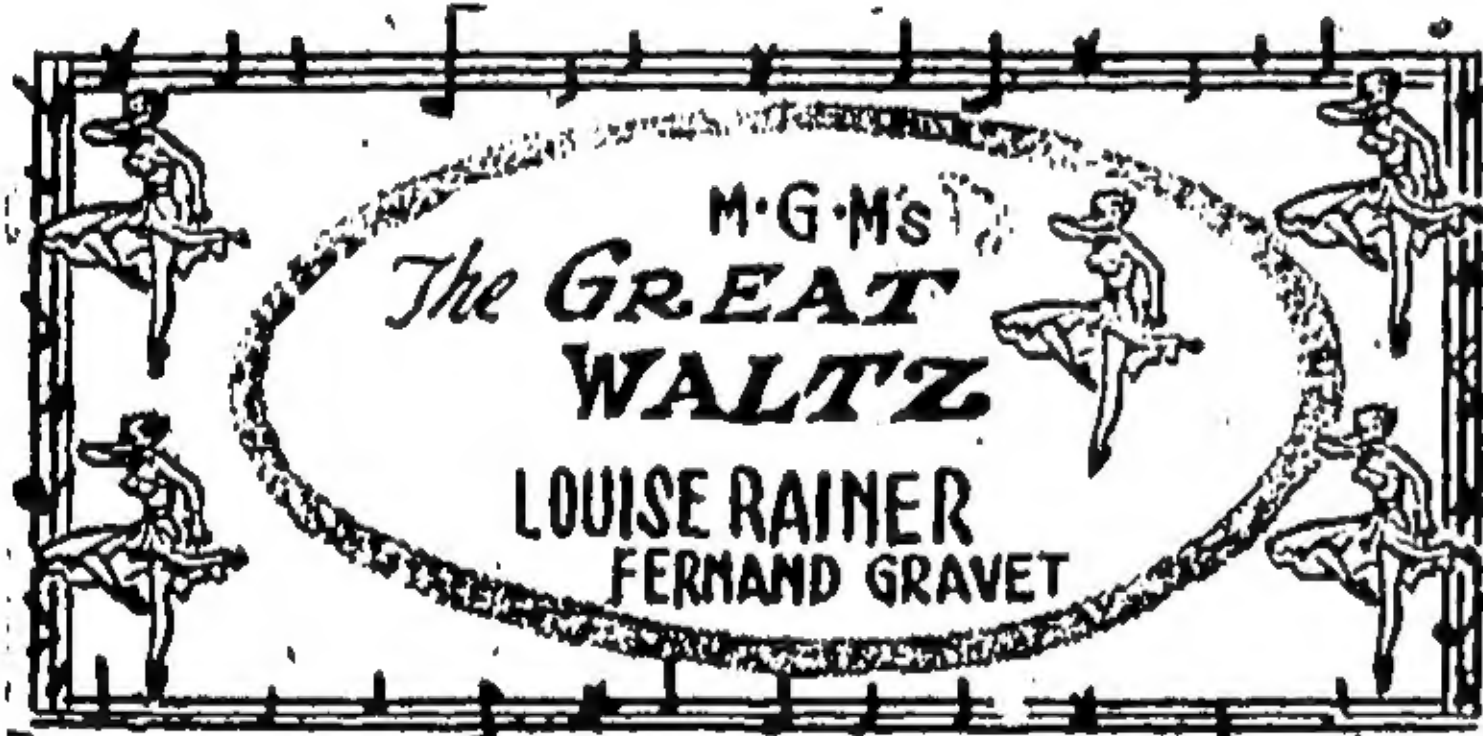
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FRANCE FACES A CRISIS

"65 Divorces Before Lunch"

Johannesburg, Mar. 28. Mr Justice Lethbridge-Blackwell, judge of the Supreme Court, said South Africa had the "most divorces in the world."

Calling for tighter regulations he declared: "In speed, our procedure here can even out-Reno Reno."

"A married couple can quarrel today, part tomorrow, be in the courts in less than a fortnight, have their divorce in under two months and marry again the same day."

"Last week I handled 65 divorce cases before lunch."

—China Mail Special.

Germany Wants To Build A-Bomb Proof Houses

Bonn, Mar. 29. The West German Housing Ministry is interested in a project to build in West Berlin an experimental house designed to give protection against atom bombs, and probably give it support, Housing Ministry officials said here.

Dr. Hans Schüssler, a leading Berlin building engineer and former civil defence specialist, told a conference of West German builders in Munich that the eight-story building would embody the latest research on atom-proof structures.

He said the air raid shelter in the house would not be in a cellar but in the staircase as well. This would be built in funnel shape with a reinforced concrete lining.

Dr. Schüssler said the house would be built at the Innsbrucker Platz in Berlin.

It was expected that the new project would be started "within a few months."

Housing Ministry officials said they understood the building would be a normal dwelling house and could not be completely atom-bomb proof but its construction had been so designed as to offer the maximum resistance to the effects of such a bomb.

They said the Housing Ministry would probably extend the financial aid usually given to dwelling house building—from the average 50 per cent of the building costs.

It was not known how much the building would cost—Reuter.

SCRAP METAL EXHIBITION

Berlin, Mar. 28. The East German Deputy Premier and Minister for Machinery, Herr Heinrich Rau, today opened an exhibition in East Berlin at which 400 factories showed what goods they produce from scrap metal.

The East German news agency ADN reported that about 1,100 goods were on display. But many of them were samples and had not yet been produced on a large scale.

ADN did not say what was on display, except several types of refrigerators.—Reuter.

Marrakesh, Mar. 28. The French Resident General in Morocco, General Guillaume, fell off a mule today while boar hunting and had to receive hospital attention.

The resident general was out with visiting U. S. Admiral William F. Fletcher, NATO Commander in Southern Europe, when his mule tripped up on a stone throwing him over its head.

He was able to walk out of hospital in Marrakesh after he had had an X-ray there.—France-Press.

EMPIRE

— TO-MORROW —



OVER E.D.C. New Problems Add To Her Discomfort

Paris, Mar. 28. Storm clouds are gathering over the French Government formed nine months ago by Prime Minister Joseph Laniel, split on the ratification of the European Army Treaty.

The Cabinet is torn between the supporters of the European Army, who are pressing that the date for the start of the ratification debate should be announced before April 10, and the opponents who want the Government to delay Parliamentary action until all of France's prerequisite conditions have been met.

Both sides threaten, unofficially, to resign if their views are not adopted.

The Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, is reported to have said he would refuse to attend the Geneva conference on April 20 if a date has not been fixed by then for the start of the ratification debate.

Political sources speak freely of the possibility of the Laniel Government disintegrating if either side carries out its threat.

Observers believe that the situation can be saved only by the realisation that the fall of the Government will lead to a prolonged crisis on the eve of the Geneva conference at which the Indo-China conflict is due to be discussed.

NEW THREAT

But a new threat has emerged against the Government with the conditional Allied approval of a Bonn constitutional amendment permitting Western Germany to rearm.

Gaullist leader Gaston Palewski wants the amendment repudiated. The Socialist Chairman of the National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee, M. Daniel Mayer, has issued a protest recalling that his Committee has unanimously called on the Government to veto the amendment.

The Cabinet has delayed fixing a date for the start of the ratification debate.

But the pro-Europeans led by Deputy Premier Paul Reynaud and Pierre Henri Titegen are said to be determined to get a decision within a fortnight.

Their aim is that the Government should propose a firm date to the National Assembly before its Easter Recess from about April 10 to 22.

Even the staunchest supporters of the European Defence Community (EDC) recognise now that it will be impossible for Parliament to start the ratification debate before the opening of the Geneva conference on April 20, as had been originally planned.

BRITISH AID

They feel that at least the date of the debate should be announced before the Geneva conference, and May 15 has been mentioned as a possible date.

Reports circulating in French diplomatic quarters said Britain had offered to put two divisions of the British Army of the Rhine under the European Army Command as a concession to repeated French requests for closer British links with EDC.

These unofficial reports describe French politicians who have seen them as saying that the British plans are "a substantial step forward." Britain had not met the French request to pledge to maintain troops in Europe for the 50 years of the EDC Treaty, the reports said, but has promised to consult the EDC whenever any of her troops withdrawing any of her troops.

British proposals are expected to be announced before Easter.

A major difficulty of the politicians who believe France should make a definite move on EDC is the deadlock in the French-German talks on the Saar.

M. Laniel has made it clear he thinks the Government could not ask Parliament to ratify the EDC Treaty until the French condition of a Saar settlement had been met.

France and West Germany are trying to negotiate a "European" settlement for the rich

How To Get Into Japan—Illegally

Tokyo, Mar. 28. Aliens who enter Japan illegally can obtain perfectly valid residence identification cards if they are willing to pay from 100,000 yen to 150,000 yen (£100 to £150 sterling) on the black market.

Customers are usually Chinese, both from Formosa and the mainland and Koreans.

The alleged source: Japanese officials in charge of alien registration offices. — China Mail Special.

Pakistan May Elect A New Leader

United Nations, Mar. 28. Experts and observers among diplomatic circles here who know Indian and particularly Pakistani affairs believe that Hussein Suhrawardy will succeed Mohammed Ali as Prime Minister of Pakistan, if he wins the forthcoming elections.

They say Suhrawardy is the undisputed leader of the Awami Jinnah League whose supporters won the elections in East Pakistan in a "United Front" coalition of five parties which also includes the Communist minority.

Eight Moslem League Cabinet members were defeated in the recent elections and Abdul Kader Khan, leader of the United Front, has already started to form a state government.

They say Suhrawardy was a close associate of Jinnah and a member of the Moslem League and one of the engineers of Pakistan. Britain gave in to the idea of a Moslem State in the Indian sub-continent and the real man responsible for this British decision was Hussein Suhrawardy, an Oxford-educated Pakistani.

Up to 1948 Mohammed Ali was the right hand man of Suhrawardy and a member in the East Pakistan government, but Suhrawardy broke with the Moslem League due to many misunderstandings. All even offered Suhrawardy a Cabinet post in this current Central government.

STILL WANTS AID

These observers dismiss the press reports that if the Moslem League is defeated in the final elections, American alliance and aid will go into thin air.

On the contrary, they say that Suhrawardy is definitely a pro-Western in all outlook and philosophy and they predict his coming to power will be the greatest achievement for Pakistan.

They even believe that Suhrawardy will become "another Churchill" for Pakistan and will make the country into a very important nation in Asia.

They also strongly believe Suhrawardy may be able to solve the two outstanding issues before Pakistan—Kashmir and relationship with Afghanistan. Nothing will change as to American aid and the alliance with Turkey and the Middle East.—United Press.

London Police Chief In Kenya

Nairobi, Mar. 28. The 46-year-old City of London Police Chief, Colonel Arthur Young, arrived here by air today from London to assume temporary command of the Kenya Police.

Accompanied by Chief Superintendent F. J. Wilson of the Metropolitan Police, who will act as his personal staff officer, he was met at the airport by the East Africa Commander-in-Chief, General Sir George Erskine, and Police Commissioner Michael O'Rourke, who is to retire next month.

Colonel Young, who went into conference with Commissioner O'Rourke almost immediately after his arrival, refused to make any comment on the situation in Kenya except to say he was pleased to be able to "serve the Kenya Police Force."—Reuter.

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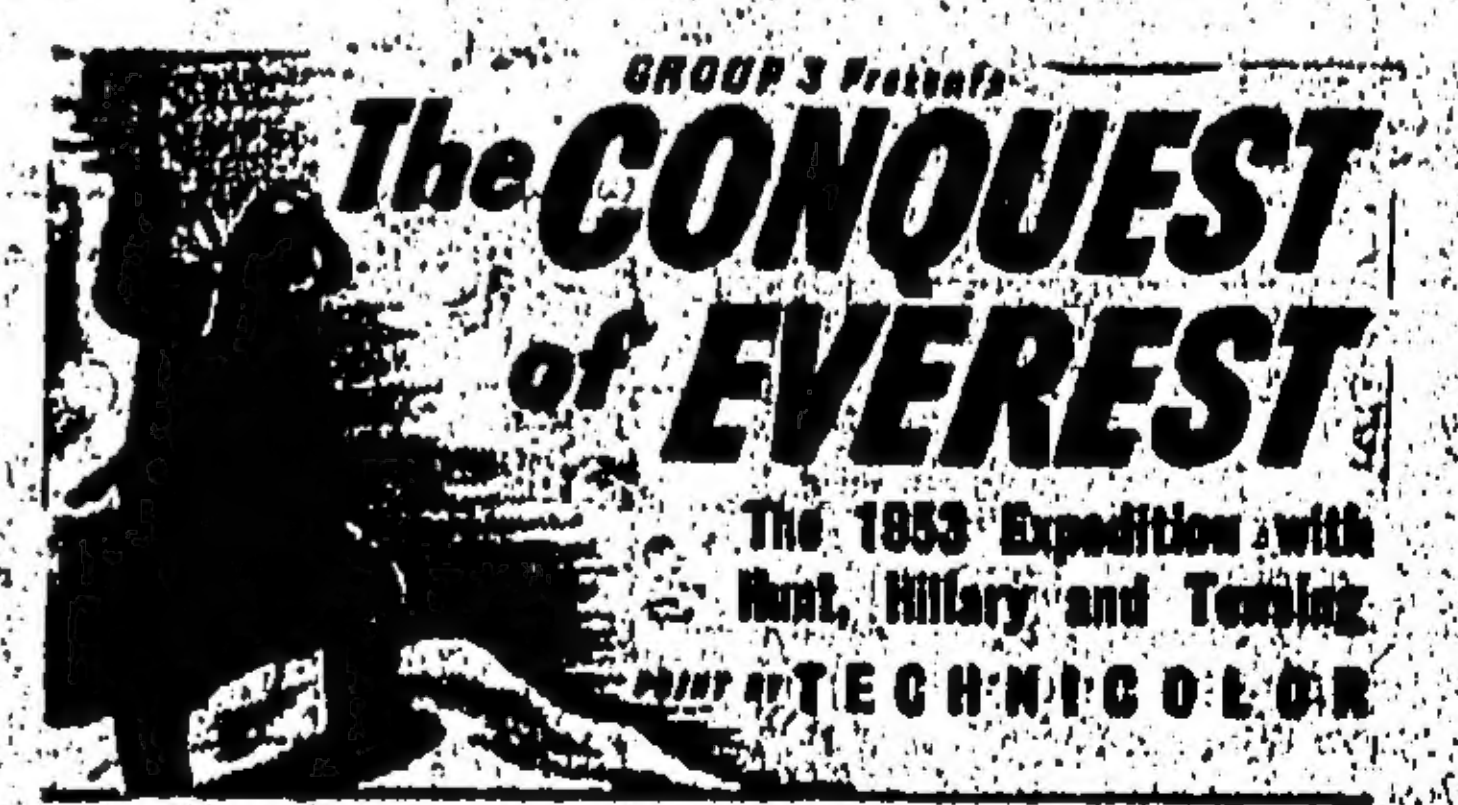
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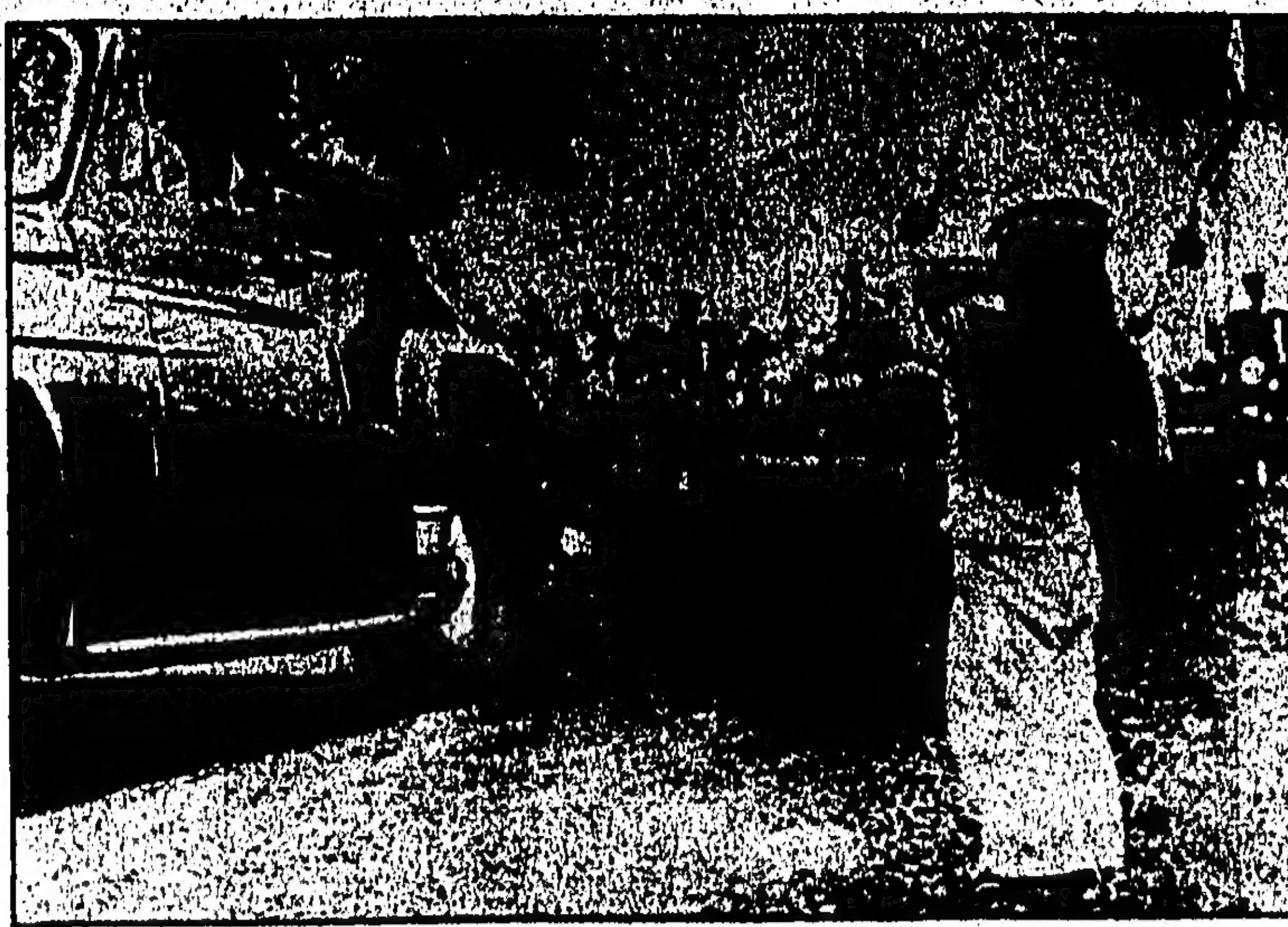


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US CONCERN FOR INDO-CHINA

A Bashful
Sailor Boy



This little sailor boy was well to the front with his two flags, but was just too bashful to face the Admiral of the Fleet who waved back, when the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh passed by at Mackay, Queensland.—Central Press.

Gary Cooper Offered A Part In New Russian Film

Cannes, Mar. 28.

A Russian film producer today offered Gary Cooper a part in a new Russian film called "Pilgrimage."

The film would show five foreigners travelling freely without constraint in Russia. The travellers, said the producer, Gregory Alexandrov, were an American businessman, an English geologist, a French priest, an Italian workman and an Austrian actress.

These parts would be played by actors from the various countries he said.

Mr. Alexandrov said "Russia is ready to make films in collaboration with all countries which wish it, including the United States, and to start negotiations."

Mr. Alexandrov, who is attending the film festival here, said Russia was willing to import any foreign films but not war films or films showing rough houses or encouraging violence, as Russian spectators did not like them.

He said there had been a big change in Russian film policy since discredited spectators had written thousands of letters and published many articles in the press.

The present view was that the purpose of a film was to give relaxation and many comedies were planned. The accent was on human problems and especially love.—Reuter.

JAPANESE ARRIVE

Three leading Japanese film personalities arrived at Cannes today for the premiere of their picture "Nigorie", which is to be presented at the Cannes Festival within a few days.

They are actress Taguko Tanami, the producer Koo Takeo Ito and also the composer of the musical score of the film, which will probably be presented on Friday, April 2.

It is the tragic story of a geisha in a restaurant of the red light district in Tokyo in the 1890s. It was written by a girl author, Ichiko Higashi, who died in 1890 at the age of 25.

The film is one of Japan's three major entries in the prize competition this year.—France-Press.

Israel Resumes Talks With United Nations

Tel-Aviv, Mar. 28.

Israeli and United Nations chiefs of staff met here today for the first time since Israel walked out of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission six days ago over the Scorpion Pass massacre of 11 Israeli bus passengers.

Since the Israeli walk-out after the American chairman, Commander Elmo Hutchinson, had abstained from voting on the Israeli draft resolution blaming Jordan for the massacre there had been no contact.

Major-General Moshe Dayan, Israeli Chief of Staff, met Major-General Vagn Ben-Nuri, chief of the United Nations Truce Supervision, to discuss the Israeli-Syrian dispute over the Sea of Galilee.

Syrian batteries were alleged to have opened up against Israeli fishing vessels and patrol vessels returned fire in incidents a fortnight ago.

Decisions reached by the Israeli-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission on March 15 confirmed the demarcation line on the frontier.

An Israeli Army spokesman said the generals at today's meeting discussed "problems connected with the decisions adopted on March 15."

It was announced that the meeting was held at Major-General Dayan's request.—Reuter.

Russian Move To Get Information Of Her Missing Spy?

Washington, Mar. 28.

Diplomats speculated today that Russia may be holding three Americans hostage in an effort to force the United States to break its tight silence on the fate of a missing Soviet diplomat-spy, Yuri Rastvorov.

The State Department told Russia in a note on February 5 it had information that Russia was holding the three Americans—William T. Marchuk, Breckinridge, Pennsylvania; William A. Verdine, Starks, Louisiana; and John Hellmuth Noble, a native of Detroit.

This was 12 days after Rastvorov, mysteriously disappeared in Tokyo just before he was scheduled to return to the Soviet Union. Russia has not replied to the note or even acknowledged its receipt.

In the meantime, the Soviet Embassy in Washington has made two demands on the State Department for information regarding Rastvorov's whereabouts, the last by Russian Ambassador George N. Zarubin.

The United States said it was "investigating" the case. Diplomats here felt that the Kremlin's repeated and keen interest in Rastvorov's case and the parallel delay on the case of the three Americans may be anything but accidental.

The United States, however, has displayed no signs that it would propose or agree to an exchange of Rastvorov for the three Americans. On the contrary, the State Department soon will make new representations to obtain freedom for the Americans.

The fact that the three Americans were in Red hands was reported by other American satellite agents and officials to Soviet Embassy in Washington, the last by Russian Ambassador George N. Zarubin.

Despite Red pressure, the U. S. may never acknowledge that Rastvorov turned himself over to this country.

Diplomatic sources pointed out that disclosure of any information on Rastvorov's whereabouts might lead to his death or capture by Soviet counter espionage agents.

Likewise, if he were forced to return to Russia, the United States would have small hope of getting other Soviet satellite agents and officials to desert to the West. The Russian satellite press.

There was no indication how they came to be in a Communist prison.

Australian Scientist Says:

"H-Bomb Explosions May Pollute The Pacific Ocean"

Sydney, Mar. 28.

Dr John Blatt of the Sydney University School of Physics, in a letter published in a newspaper here, has raised the question of the possibility of undetected forms of ocean pollution being caused by the recent United States hydrogen bomb test and suggested further study of the pollution problem before further tests are held.

Dr Blatt's letter said: "In view of the recent H-bomb in the Pacific, it seems desirable to raise the question of what is the maximum safe level of radio-activity in an ocean such as the Pacific.

"There is no need to panic, but there is need to define unambiguously what level of radio-activity is safe and to ask nations engaging in bomb tests for conclusive proof that the safe level will not be exceeded," he said.

Professor Harry Messel, Canadian-born head of Physics, University School of Physics, said at the week-end that scientists at present were not certain of the exact consequences of hydrogen bomb explosions. They were not certain, for instance, of the effects of radio-activity on reproduction.

Fruitful made radio-active by scientists in tests had had progeny born with two heads or without wings.

Professor Messel added radio-activity from hydrogen explosion did not kill the fish, they would retain it for a few hours or for a lifetime, depending on the amount absorbed.

This radio-activity could be passed on to anyone eating the fish, he added.—Reuter.

LIKE A METEORITE

Moscow, Mar. 28.

The Soviet Army paper Red Star has said the power of the hydrogen bomb could be compared with the force of a meteorite which levelled thousands of square kilometres of Siberian forest in 1908.

In the latest series of articles which the paper has been publishing on the technical aspects of atomic energy Red Star said:

"This meteorite weighed no less than one million tons and had a speed of 60 kilometres (about 40 miles) per second. Owing to its long trail, the meteorite was seen for a distance of 600 kilometres (about 400 miles) and its explosion striking the earth was heard thousands of kilometres from the spot."

"The explosion felled forests over an area of thousands of square kilometres. Doubtless, an explosion of such strength can be used not only for military purposes and destruction but also for peaceful purposes."

Red Star said the hydrogen bomb was eight to 10 times more powerful than the atom bomb. The newly found power might even facilitate inter-planetary flight and be used for such peaceful purposes as digging canals.—Reuter.

BAN SOUGHT

London, Mar. 28.

The British-Soviet Friendship Society today adopted a resolution asking the British Government to co-operate with the Soviet Government to outlaw atomic weapons and institute a system of international inspection and control of atomic energy.

The resolution was adopted in a meeting held here today.—France-Press.

Atom Circuses Will Tour West Europe

Three "atomic circuses" are to tour Europe this year to impress countries of the West with the atomic energy's huge potential contribution to industry, medicine, and agriculture, according to reports from London.

Each "circus" consists of five specially designed caravans, which can be dismantled and turned into a demonstration hall. They have been planned by British and American atomic experts.

The 12-month tour will start in June from Rome covering every country west of the Iron Curtain.

Expense will be borne jointly by Britain and America. France may offer to help. Each country visited will pay towards the maintenance of the shows.

SELF-EXPLANATORY

Because of the great shortage of atomic scientists in America and Britain, the circuses will carry no technical staff. The display will be self-explanatory. There will be demonstrations of how radio-active isotopes can be used in the diagnosis and treatment of disease and how they help to control technical processes and even find leaks in pipes.

There will be models of atomic power stations now being built in Britain and America, and a series of films explaining simply the principles of atomic energy.

One thing will not be mentioned: The Atomic bomb.

Bread And Water

Copenhagen, Mar. 28.

The Danish Defence Ministry is tabling a Bill in Parliament to stop such severe disciplinary penalties as bread and water diet for recalcitrant soldiers.

The new law, result of newspaper exposures of disciplinary abuses, will also protect the ordinary private against tough non-commissioned officers and make senior officers responsible for penalties.

Recruits recently beat up a sergeant named Pedersen so severely that he was compelled to leave the Army.—China Mail Special.

British Novelist Dead

Capetown, Mar. 28.
Francis Brett Young, best-selling British novelist, died in Capetown today, aged 69, after an illness lasting several months.
One of his many books was based on his experiences as a ship's surgeon on a voyage to Japan before the 1914-18 war.—Reuter.

All Quiet In Beirut

No Further Riots

Beirut, Mar. 28.
The Lebanese Gendarmerie kept guard over the American University in Beirut where riots yesterday cost the lives of two students, with the wounding of 20 others.

The students were demonstrating against the Turkish-Pakistan Treaty and had clashed with the Police.

There were no disturbances today.

The Government issued a communique stating that 150 non-students had infiltrated into the University to take part in yesterday's demonstration.

The communique declared that one of the students killed had been hit by a ricocheting bullet while another had been struck by a bullet which took a downward course, although the Police and troops were on the ground floor level.

A bullet taken from a third victim was found to be a twelve-millimetre, a calibre not used by the Police forces, the communique pointed out.—France-Press.

US Editors To Go To Russia

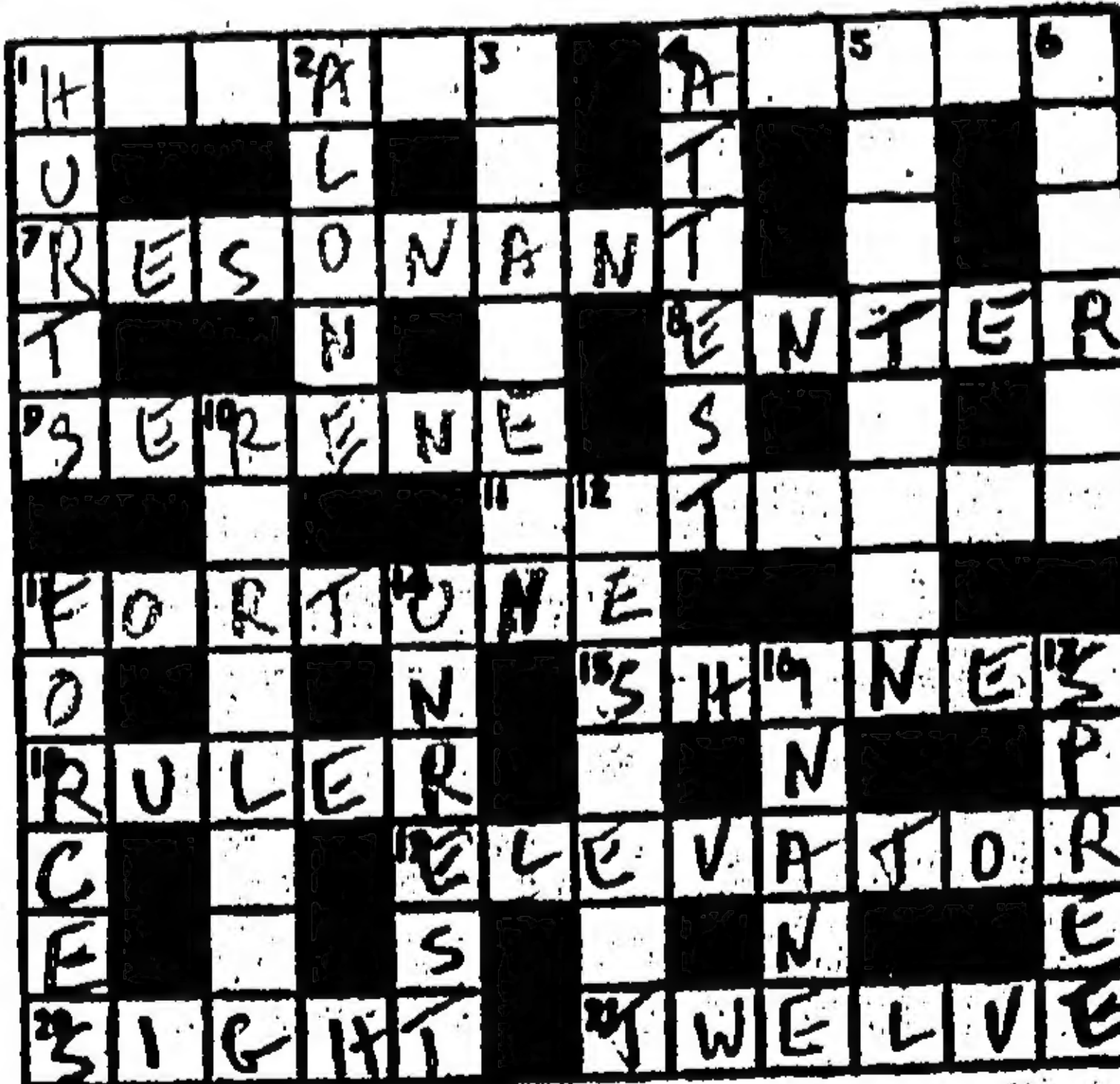
London, Mar. 28.

A group of 38 American editors and newspaper owners today received last-minute permission to visit the Soviet Union.

The group, headed by Mr. James Wick, had applied for Soviet visas last December. Receiving no reply they had telegraphed to the Soviet Premier, M. Malenkov, requesting travel permits when they were in Greece on March 12, and found a favourable answer waiting for them on the last leg of their trip.

They were on the point of leaving for the United States. Now they plan to go to Moscow via Prague and Warsaw.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle

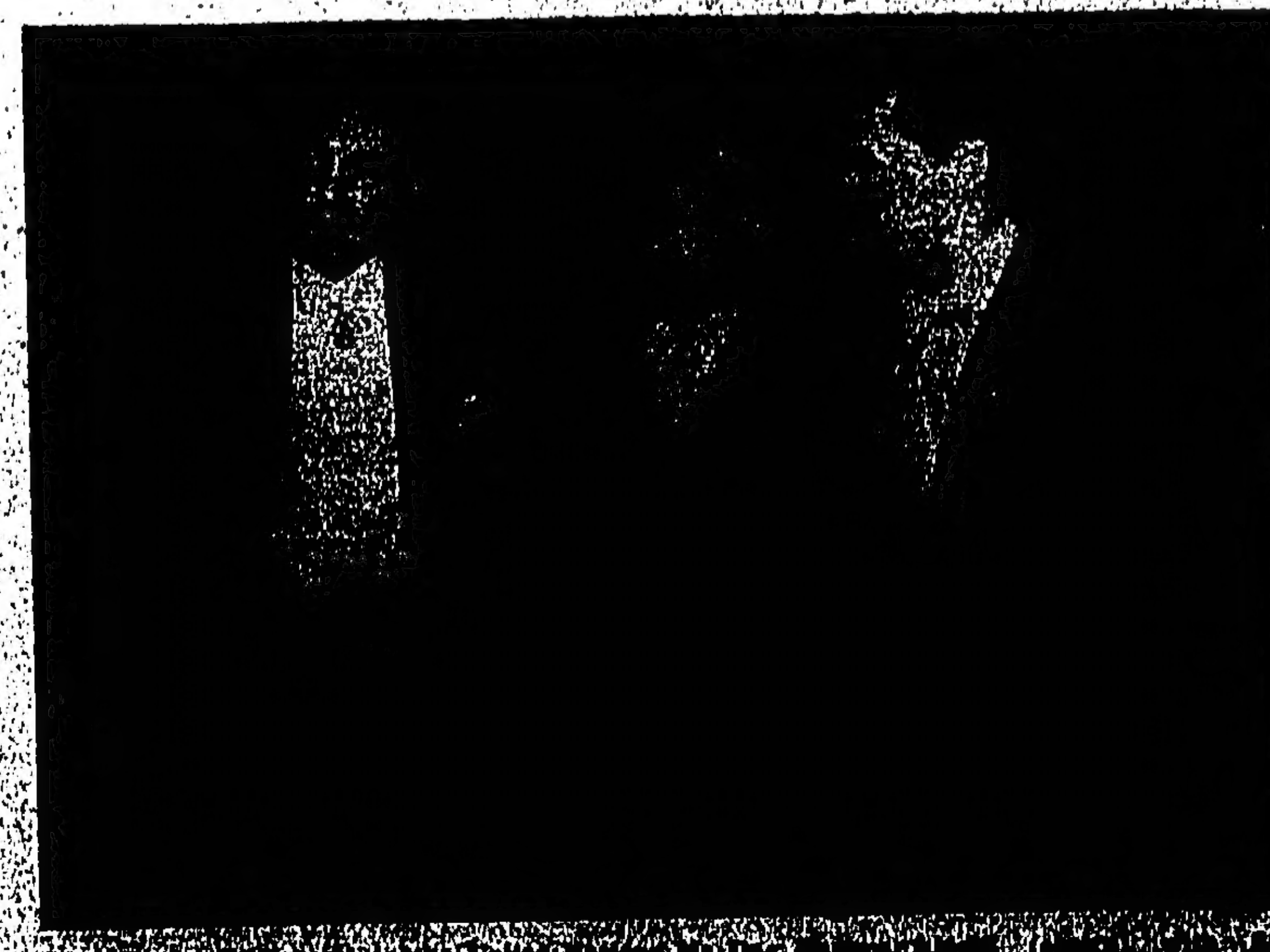


- ACROSS
- 1 Vox (8).
 - 4 Savoury jelly (5).
 - 7 Resounding (8).
 - 8 Come in (5).
 - 9 Quiet (6).
 - 10 Workman (7).
 - 13 Wealth (7).
 - 15 Governor (6).
 - 18 Lift (5).
 - 20 Vision (5).
 - 21 Dozen (6).

- DOWN
- 1 Injured (6).
 - 2 Solitary (7).
 - 3 Rigorous (7).
 - 4 Beat witness (6).
 - 5 Keen supporter (8).
 - 6 Fruit (6).
 - 10 Minor nobleman (8).
 - 12 Honour (7).
 - 13 Compels (6).
 - 14 Disquiet (6).
 - 15 Foolish (5).
 - 17 Jollification (6).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Gain, 4 Gourmet, 8 Dear, 9 Tyro, 10 Lampoon, 11 Root, 12 Turn, 14 Pointer, 15 Amuse, 16 Abuse, 17 Present, 18 Deal, 19 Cite, 20 Aviator, 21 Eggs, 22 Reap, 23 Alleged, 24 Sale, 25 Down, 26 Asylum, 27 Adorn, 28 Gallop, 29 Orestes, 30 Ripen, 31 Slope, 32 Tuna, 33 Buss, 34 Tuna, 35 Reel, 36 Engrave, 37 Creep, 38 Target, 39 Silver, 40 State, 41 Tired.

GUESTS OF THE PILGRIMS



The pilgrims, who are visiting the shrine of the Virgin Mary at Lourdes, France, are seen here in a line. They are wearing dark clothing and some are holding bags or bundles. The background is dark and indistinct.

A moment later the window swung silently open. "I had caught his outstretched fingers and with a heave I found myself in the room beside him.

"The library," Holmes breathed in my ear. "Keep behind the window curtains."

Words contained no answer. There was no time for that.

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• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

THE creation by scientists of artificial rain has led to the expectation of complete weather-control by an international committee.

Of course there is talk of the application of weather-control to agriculture, but the chief interest in making weather a new secret weapon in war has already been discussed. A steady rain of thousands of thunderbolts in steel containers would be a good bargaining asset for a diplomat, and a dozen snow-storms released during a heated argument would be a superb tactical device. The question is whether the most powerful conference may well be: "Has Russia already got the secret? And is the answer to that question radio-controlled lightning, or atomized thunderbolts?"

Let us all be M.P.s.

I HEAR that a small group of M.P.s, each with half a dozen directorships, and an income of a few thousands a year from journalism, is plotting against a rise in the price of the grounds that too much of it will be taken in income tax. To meet this objection, the Government representatives have exempted from taxation, to encourage the

rest of us to work harder? That would also meet the demand of those who are advocating more members for each constituency, as millions would be ready to stand as candidates under such conditions.

In passing

THIS growing demand that restaurants should print their menus in English instead of in French is sure to produce violent protests against the French names in wine lists. "Dear Sir, Would Chateau Pavie taste any worse, any Pavier Cuvée? And why should not Cognac, Amagnac, Fine Champagne, and Marc be just 'Brandy'?"

Produce: Surely Marc is not brandy?

Myself: Indeed it is. But it is made from hucks of grapes left over, and is not distilled from wine as other brandies are.

Marginal note

IN order to ensure a reputation next winter of the present situation in the matter of eggs, farmers will be asked to adopt the deep-litter system. Then, when the winter eggs begin to be plentiful, the Government will buy 200,000 preserved Yucatan eggs on the market. The Government will then blame the Weather.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Discard Is An Aid To Good Bridge

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN you are a defender you must sometimes discard in such a way as to deceive the declarer, even though you may also deceive your partner. Similarly, when you are the declarer you sometimes play or discard from your hand in such a way as to fool the enemy.

A much more unusual device is to discard from the dummy for the purpose of deceiving the defenders. This may sound impossible, since the dummy is fully exposed to view, but the feat can be done.

When today's hand was played in a team match, one declarer relied on probability, to his regret. West opened the four of hearts, and East held the first trick with the king. East returned the nine of hearts, South playing the ten, and West with the jack. West then returned another heart to force out the ace.

The declarer in the first room discarded the seven of diamonds from the dummy on the third round of hearts, knowing that he would not need a diamond trick and that the contract

NORTH 24			
AKJ92	83		
7	3		
K1005			
WEST EAST			
643	87		
Q742	K98		
A82	K984		
Q7	9432		
SOUTH (D)			
Q105			
A105			
K1003			
AJ8			
Both sides vul.			
South	West	North	East
1.N.T.	Pass	2.N.T.	Pass
3.N.T.	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opting lead—4			

would depend on a good club guess later on. He, then, ran five rounds of spades.

East says from the dummy's discard that diamonds were unimportant. He therefore discarded three diamonds on dummy's five spades. He knew that his line of clubs wasn't worth saving, but he also knew that South might have a club finesse to guess.

After running the spades, South tried to decide how to play the clubs. He knew that East had started with only five cards in spades and hearts combined. The chances were very good that East had started with at least four clubs, in which case it was probable that East had the queen of clubs.

Acting on this reasoning, declarer discarded dummy's king of clubs and then finessed the jack of clubs. West won with the queen, of course, and took the rest of the tricks with good hearts and the ace of diamonds. South was therefore set two tricks.

At the second table the bidding and opening lead were the same. On the third round of hearts, however, this declarer discarded a low club from dummy. This made it look as though he was not interested in clubs but he was, though he was interested in his bid suit, diamonds.

When South then ran dummy's spades, East decided to discard clubs and hold his diamonds. This was enough to tip South off to the location of the queen of clubs, and this declarer easily made his contract.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

North East South West

1 Heart Pass 2 Diamonds Pass

2 Hearts Pass ?

You, South, hold: Spade 6, Heart 5, Diamonds K-Q-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1. What do you do?

A—Bid four diamonds. This shows unbalanced distribution (since you are unwilling to consider a contract of three no-trump) and a very strong suit. Your partner can take it from there.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spade 6, Heart 5, Diamonds K-Q-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

WHAT'S HIS LINE?

Rearrange the letters of this name—

YIN O RANGER

—to add his name to the list.

(Solution on Page 16)

★ ★ WOMANSENSE ★ ★

Polished Cotton For Daytime



Household Hints

Lipstick or rouge stains on clothing can be removed by softening them first with glycerine then washing in hot soapsuds.

A pinch of salt added to sour fruit during cooking will cut down on the amount of sweetening needed.

Never store household poisons with or near food or in discarded food containers such as milk bottles. Be sure the poisons are labelled clearly and kept out of reach of children and pets.

Dust hangs upward, so when you clean walls, brush with an upward motion to prevent smearing and streaking.

If you like an oiled dust mop, dampen the mop with a mixture of three parts kerosene and one part paraffin oil. Let the mop stand at least 24 hours before using so the oil will penetrate and won't affect floor finishes.



This day dress, in polished cotton, shown by the London makers, London Town, is trimmed with white pique. It has a strapless bodice, side pockets and full skirt with an unusual gathered front. The shirt-type matching bolero has the new double stand-up collar. — Express Photo.

CREAM OF PARIS DESIGNS FOR "THE AVERAGE WOMAN"

Schiaparelli Will Be Forerunner

THE high finance of High Fashion has bestirred clothes-conscious Paris. Schiaparelli has announced a change in fashion policy. She hopes this will allow even the Middlemarches to go to the first in the field.

Just exactly what this new order is and how it will affect the "average woman" remain Schiaparelli's secrets.

She has, however, indicated some of the problems that forced her into this change. "The cost of creating a collection today is fantastic," she said.

"average woman" says her spokesman. "It will certainly be copied within a year by the other 50 fashion houses in Paris. That is an economic necessity and Schiaparelli is going to be the first in the field."

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"Mounting production costs, high pressured taxes and social securities are some of the reasons."

"Lack of foreign currencies restricts a great number of our clients."

"How can an Englishwoman spend a minimum of 100 guineas on a Paris model when her total annual allowance in foreign currency is £300? The same applies to the women of Latin American countries."

(London Express Service)

DUCK A L'ORANGE MAIN ATTRACTION

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

MY desk telephone rang. "Hello, Mother. Not busy? Then I'd like your opinion on a menu for a buffet dinner for ten guests. Now, this is what I've planned."

It was my daughter, Ruth, speaking—Mrs. Alberto Castell—wife of a busy young public relations executive and happy mother of four-year-old Diane and Lynn, who is almost all of two.

BUFFET GUEST DINNER

Tomato Juice
Assorted Olives Celery Hearts
Potato Chips with Cheese Dunk
Duck a l'Orange String Beans
Tossed Mixed Greens Salad
Biscuit Tortoni Coffee

"Delightful," I approved. "But considerable work to prepare."

"Oh, I'll do most of the cooking a day or so in advance. I've scheduled my time, and even allowed half an hour for a rest, while the children nap, the afternoon of the dinner."

Plans went as scheduled. A day in advance, Ruth prepared and crisped the celery and salad greens, roasted the duck, and cut it up ready to combine with the sauce, which was also made ahead. She also froze the biscuit tortoni. That left no last-minute cooking the day of the dinner.

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Recipes Serve 8 Unless Otherwise Stated

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To Make the Sauce: While the duck is roasting, bring to a boil 1/2 c. fine-shredded orange peel 3 times, starting each time with cold water to barely cover. Add 1 c. tart orange juice to the stock, the chopped giblets and liquid, 1 tsp. grated orange rind and 1/2 c. of the previously cooked drained shredded orange peel. Stir in 1/2 c. currant jelly and simmer until it melts. Then stir in 4 tsp. cornstarch blended with 4 tsp. cold water. Simmer-broil 5 min.

At this point, if desired, add sherry flavouring and a little

brandy flavouring to taste. Add the duck; heat until very hot. Serve over sticky rice.

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Biscuit Tortoni: Beat 6 egg yolks light. Add 1/4 c. sugar and a few grains salt. Stir until graininess disappears. Place over boiling water; stir and cook until very thick, about 20 min. Beat occasionally. Stir in a dish of cold water. Beat again; when cold, add 1/2 tsp. vanilla and 3 egg whites whipped stiff. Whip 1 pt. heavy cream stiff. Fold into the custard. Transfer to paper containers; dust the tops with 1/4 c. fine grated macaroon crumbs or finely-chopped toasted almonds. Pack in a freezer tray in 2 layers with paraffin paper and cardboard between. Freeze until firm, about 2 hrs., at the lowest temperature in the refrigerator freezing chamber or in the food freezer. Serves 10.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, MARCH 29

BORN today, you have a great deal of vitality and staying power. Once you start out on a project, you give it everything you have and get it done in record time. Since you are good at both planning and execution of detail work, you should enter the professions where you are able to do your own work and in your own time.

You have high ideals and your ambitions are limiting. You want to be at the top of the heap, and you intend to get there. Yet you are essentially fair and will never take advantage of others in your climb to success. You men should

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

ANIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) — Make full use of your natural ingenuity to solve a perplexing problem patiently and you will succeed.

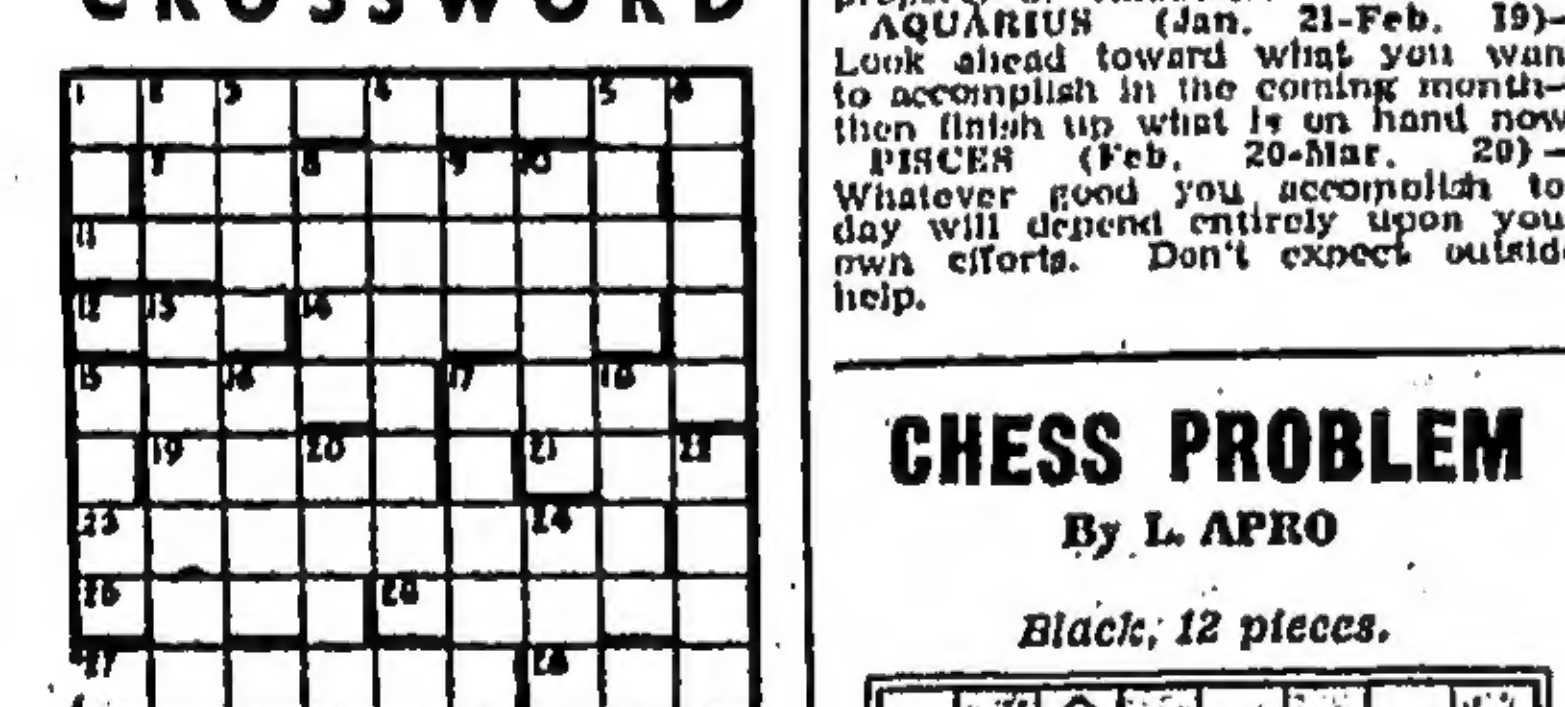
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20) — Be exceptionally cautious in giving advice to others today. Better wait until you are asked.

CRAB (May 21-June 21) — If you have a lot to get done in a special period of time, organize everything you can do, and do it.

CANCER (June 22-July 23) — If you are setting a bad case of "vacationitis," make plans but stick closely to work at hand.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) — Get a good day's work accomplished.

CROSSWORD



1. Mature in an anagram. (9)

2. Distant stood like this when she was being painted. (7)

3. It may be all around you—but it's not either. (4)

4. Mr. Lincoln, or the man with the beard. (10)

5. Measure mostly Oxford and Cambridge exactly eleven eight. (6)

6. These babies made Kingsley well known. (6)

7. A cathedral is one. (4)

8. Your neck has one. (4)

9. If someone were to do this with violence the best clue might be an ideal punishment. (3)

10. A last for a life? (5)

11. Keen to make a joint? (8)

12. See 23 Across.

13. One in the song had a 28 Across. (6)

14. This had wanted to work for 27 Across. (5)

15. Cull that like catfish? (8)

16. Madia cuts out his manuscript. (7)

17. Nelson won a battle here. (4)

18. Obvious. (8)

19. Broken is of no value. (4)

20. The eagle's nest—i.e., the. (5)

21. This does not make the sin any less polite. (10)

22. The sweeping part of 14 Across. (4)

23. Can you parse a weapon? (5)

24. Split one for a fish too. (6)

25. One for your lighter in Scotland. (4)

26. Pick in 32 Across. (5)

27. Christmas call. (4)

28. More obvious. (4)

29. The Andersons are this when 10 is changed. (4)

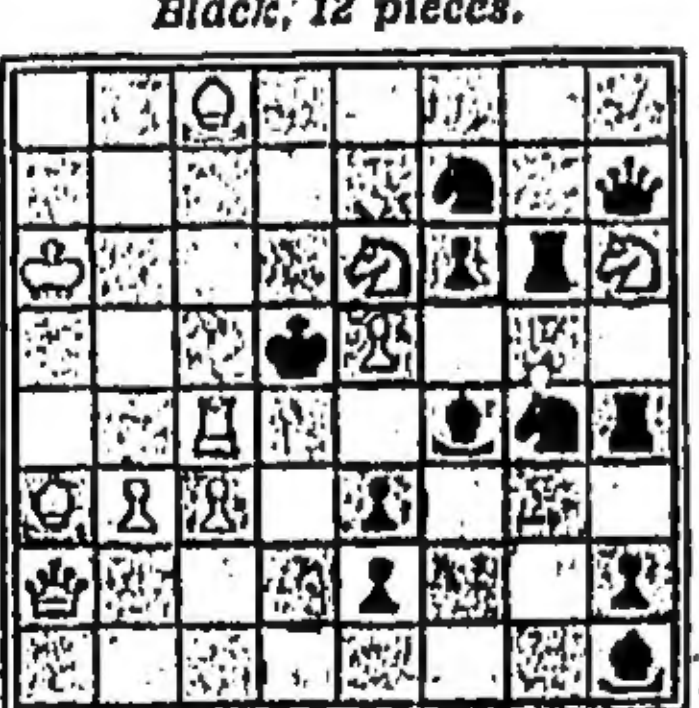
30. A half-crown does without one. (6)

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD

CHESS PROBLEM

By L. AFRO

Black, 12 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

Solution to Saturday's problem:

1. Kt-Q5, waiting. 1... Kt-K4

2. Kt-K4, Kt-K5; 1... Kt-K4

3. Kt-K5, Kt-K4; 1... Kt-K4

4. Kt-K4, Kt-K5; 1... Kt-K4

5. Kt-K5, Kt-K4; 1... Kt-K4

6. Kt-K4, Kt-K5; 1... Kt-K4

7. Kt-K5, Kt-K4; 1... Kt-K4

8. Kt-K4, Kt-K5; 1... Kt-K4

9. Kt-K5, Kt-K4; 1... Kt-K4

10. Kt-K4, Kt-K5; 1... Kt-K4

11. Kt-K5, Kt-K4; 1... Kt-K4

12. Kt

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"ANTIOCHUS"	Liverpool	Glasgow	23rd Apr.				
"CYCLOPS"	Genoa	Rotterdam	24th Apr.	25th Apr.			

Scheduled Sailings from Europe

	Sailed	Arrives
"ALCINOUS"	Liverpool	27th Mar.
"ANTIOCHUS"	do	3rd Apr.
"CYCLOPS"	do	6th Apr.
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NOTICE

THE LADIES' RECREATION CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held at the Club House on Monday, 29th March, 1954, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1953; electing the General and Ballotting Committees; and appointing Auditors.

R. M. MAYNARD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1954.

This meeting will be followed by a discussion on the Clubs' future building plans.

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Communist Ship Rotting In Singapore

Singapore, Mar. 28. A mysterious Chinese Communist freighter, the Hai Huan, is beginning to show visible signs of deterioration in Singapore harbour where she has been anchored with her crew for the past four years.

She is probably also corroding below the waterline and may sink at her moorings.

Hai Huan came into Singapore flying the five stars flag of Communist China when she learned that the Nationalist Government had fallen while she was on her way home with salt from Spain to Japan.

She has been here ever since—at an estimated cost of 14,000 Straits dollars (\$1,600 sterling) a month, with the crew living in apparent comfort but boycotting all visitors. And no one knows where she gets her maintenance money from—China Mail Special.

Prince Bernhard Ends His Visit To USA

New York, Mar. 28. Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands left here today by air for home after a three-day visit to the United States inspecting aircraft and aircraft factories.

In a press conference before his departure, the Prince said he was particularly impressed by the F-86 jet fighter and the F-84 fighter-bomber.

Asked if he had any discussion concerning plans to aid the Netherlands Air Force, he said he had discussions subsequent to those held "by our Defence Minister, Mr. Cornelis T. Staf, with various Air Force staff officials."

Asked to comment on the criticism in his homeland over his flying supersonic planes in America, Prince Bernhard said he took it less as criticism than "general concern for my welfare."

He added: "There is no more danger in those fast planes than in getting into the plane today to return home."—France-Press.

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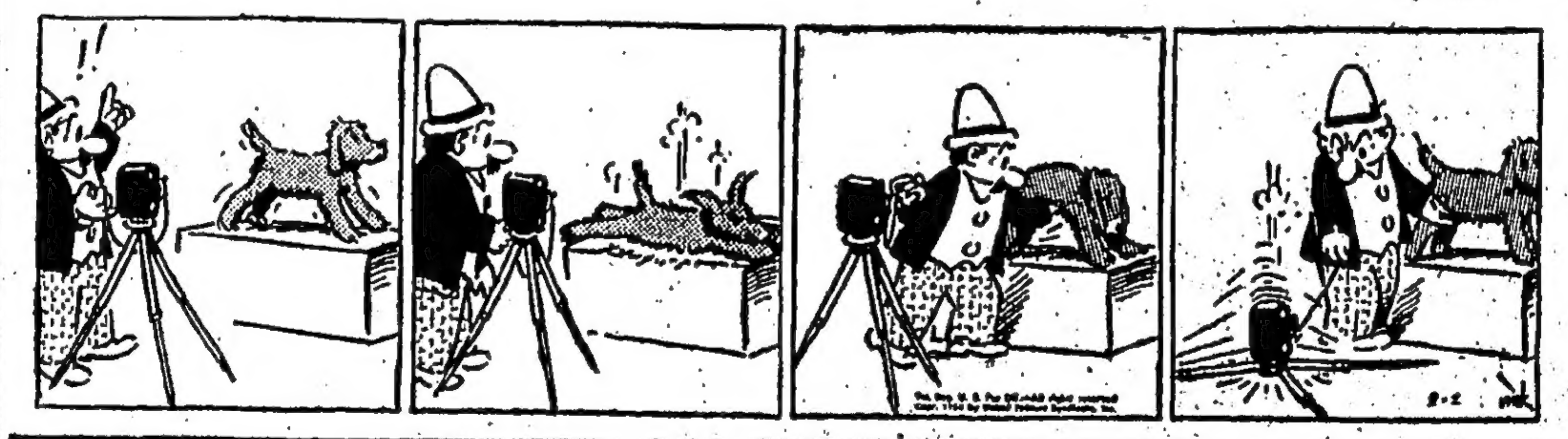
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	sails 10th Apr.	for Japan

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"ORDIA" due 25th Apr. from Japan

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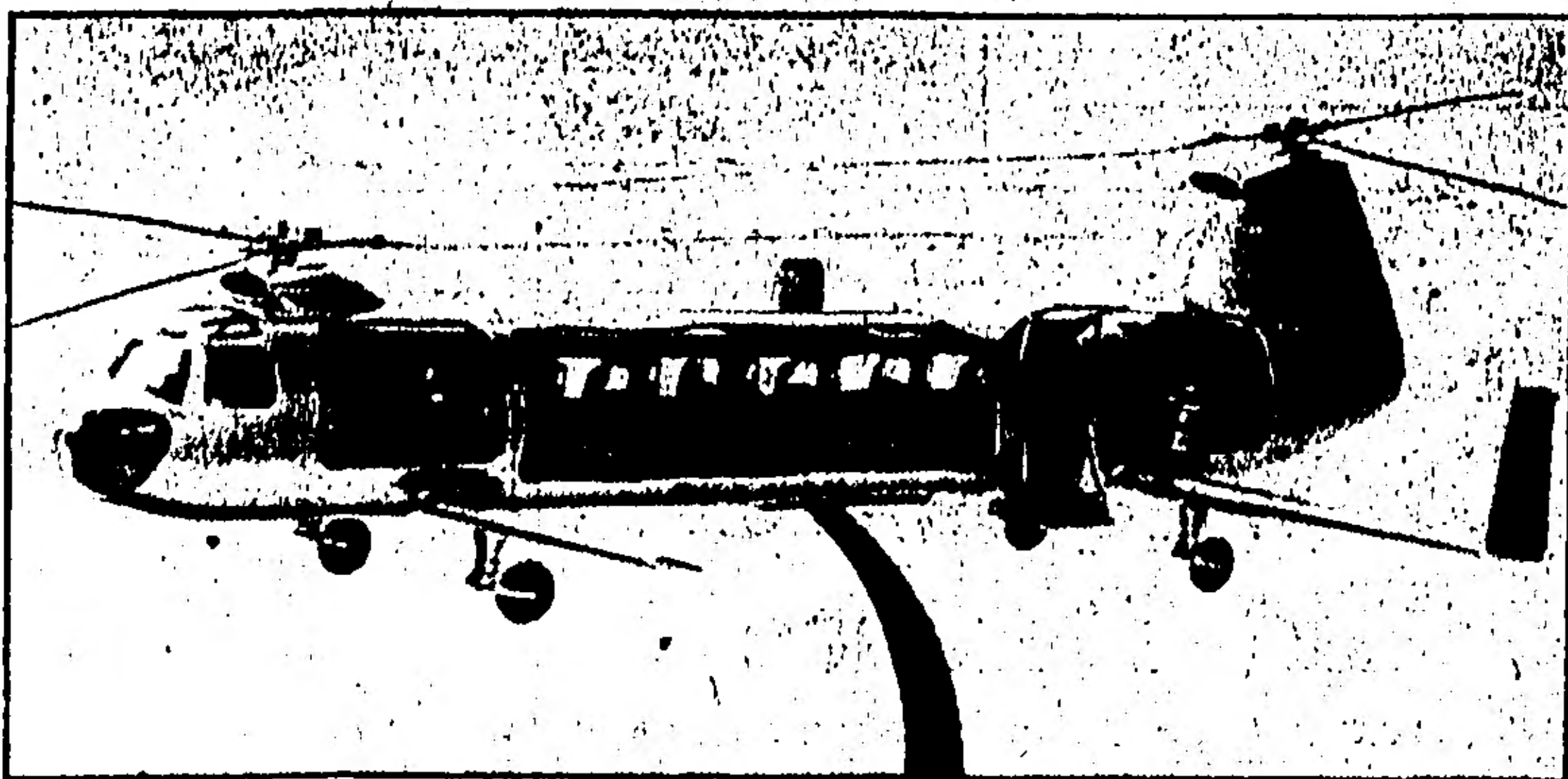
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Inside Of A New Helicopter



This is a cutaway model of the Bristol twin-engine, twin-rotor "Rotorcopter" helicopter with stub wings which increase its speed. The full-sized helicopter which flew at last year's Farnborough Air Show created a good impression by its steadiness, speed and hovering characteristics. These helicopters have already been introduced by British European Airways for inter-city experimental flights in Britain. The Royal Navy has also ordered this helicopter (otherwise known as the Bristol 173) for service duty (See "Round-up" below).

Latest Round-Up of Aviation News From Britain:

New Navigational Aid For Pilots: A Map With A Memory

This week's "Round-up" brings you news of an interesting development by Decca of Britain of a new navigational aid for pilots. It is a radio-controlled map with a memory! Another interesting item tells you of the experiments going on to produce non-inflammable hydraulic fluids which, scientists believe, will help reduce the risk of fire in aircraft. This news, together with other short items about the British aviation world, comes to Hongkong weekly direct from the London headquarters of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors.

British designers have developed a new navigational aid for pilots — a radio-controlled map with a memory. As long as the pilot is flying over the area covered by his map, his position is drawn in by a moving pen, which he flies off the map, the pen stops but the memory goes on working, and when the plane flies back again into the area covered by the map, the pen starts again at the correct position.

This device is a new feature of the latest Decca Flight Log, the lightweight Type 352. The complete equipment consists of a flight map case about the size of a telephone directory but not quite so thick. The case itself weighs under 20 pounds.

The 'brain' of the system is an airborne receiver which weighs about 60 pounds, but a special lightweight version weighing only 20 pounds is being developed for fighters and helicopters.

This receiver in the aircraft picks up radio signals from the chain of Decca stations on the ground. The same chain system is used by ships at sea, and so locates the position of the aircraft relative to them. The Decca chain already covers most of Europe.

Used in France
The new memory device incorporated in the latest Flight Log is mechanical, not electronic, and is fully automatic—the pilot does not have to touch it. As soon as the pen which is tracing the aircraft's track runs off the edge of the map, anywhere, it stores up the movements it ought to be making and begins to make them again as soon as it can—in other words, when the plane flies back to the area covered by the map.

The memory goes on working, for as long as the aircraft stays within Decca coverage, and will stay set for any length of time, including the time when the aircraft has landed at an airfield and the set is switched off.

As soon as the plane takes off again, the memory takes appropriate action. The new Flight Log has already been tried out in a flight over France. The map covered the route across the channel from the Croydon to Le Touquet. Instead of stopping at Le Touquet, however, the aircraft went on to Paris, and as soon as the pen went off the map, the memory took over.

The return trip was not made until five days later, but the memory automatically placed the pen exactly where it ought to be to begin the tracing of the return journey.

The new Flight Log has also been demonstrated at Copenhagen and will later be shown at other European airfields covered by the Decca chain of stations.

New Version
Another ingenious feature of the Flight Log now under development is a Contracted Scale version. This is designed to get as much as possible on to one map, and was developed by the designers particularly with the helicopter in mind.

The map in this version is divided vertically into three: the scale in the two, and sections in a detailed one—an inch to the mile or even larger—so that the

pilot can easily see the details of the areas where he is taking off and landing. The centre section of the map covers the area between terminals and here the scale is much reduced.

The automatic pen which plots the plane's position during flight switches over scales automatically when the pilot has flown clear of the take-off area and switches back again at the terminus.

This development is, of course, particularly applicable to helicopters because they will be taking off and landing in heavily built-up areas.

The Decca Navigator system has been fitted to a number of aircraft, and is on order for British European Airways' fleet.

Soviet Airline To Fly To West Europe?

London.
Is Russia planning airline links with the West?

This question is being asked among air transport officials following the visit of Marshal Zhukov to the different European capitals.

He is head of Russia's State-controlled airline Aeroflot.

Russia has no direct air routes to any city outside the Iron Curtain. Nor has any Western country a direct air link with Moscow.

Air routes are normally negotiated bi-laterally. If the Soviet Union wished to operate a direct Moscow-London service, they would have to allow Britain the right to fly the same route.

Helicopters are being adopted by all three British Services; the Royal Navy, which has been using helicopters for some time, has now formed its first anti-submarine squadron, the Royal Air Force is using them for search and rescue work, and the Army has stated that it is its intention "to introduce helicopters to the maximum extent."

Although so far the use of helicopters by the British Services has not been extensive, these are significant steps forward.

An important order for Bristol 173 helicopters has been placed by the Royal Navy. These will be the first twin-engine helicopters to enter into operation with the Services.

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"Summer" for the world's airlines will last a month longer, it is promised to be "fine."

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Americans are by far the greatest air travellers. But Britain's two national airlines, world pioneers of the jet and "jet-prop" aeroplanes, will go further ahead technically this year.

One of the ways in which scientists have been trying to reduce the risk of fire in aircraft is in the development of non-inflammable hydraulic fluids.

Modern aircraft are lined with complex 'arteries' of hydraulic fluid which operate many of the aircraft systems, the undercarriage, controls and accessories, in fact anywhere where energy is required for moving parts.

Fluid is pumped along pipelines all over the aircraft at great pressures, 3,000 pounds per square inch or more. The mineral fluids in standard use will not cause a fire unless there is a serious leak in the system. When there is such a leak or breakage, however, the risk is considerable, because the hydraulic pipelines of necessity run near the hot parts of the aircraft and engines.

For some time scientists both in America and Great Britain have been working on types of hydraulic fluid which virtually will not burn if there should be a leakage.

Tests have been conducted in which a jet of fluid is shot from a gun and scientists try to light it with an oxo-acetylene torch.

A standard fluid will instantly turn into a sheet of flame if given this treatment, but non-inflammable fluids have been developed which either will not catch fire or, if they do begin to burn, will extinguish themselves at once.

Two Main Types
Two main types of non-inflammable fluid have been developed.

One is an ester-based compound which is now used in certain American transport aircraft. The second general type are the water-based fluids.

One water-based oil of this type has already been extensively tested by the United States Navy and most of their new aircraft are designed to use it. It was supplied to combat aircraft in Korea and proved to be non-inflammable when the aircraft were shot-up or damaged.

Extensive tests are also in progress with this and other fluids in British aircraft. They are being specified for certain new military types and new turbine-powered airliners.

There are however considerable problems still to be overcome before all aircraft are universally using these new fluids. For instance some water-based fluids are not as good lubricants as the mineral oils used at present, and so standard pumps which are compact and highly stressed, tend to seize up when the new fluid is used. This means considerable redesign of the pumps.

Another problem is corrosion. Some water-based fluids 'eat' electrolytes—in other words, if they come into contact with materials with an electrical potential, corrosion can result. This means that certain standard materials have had to be discarded, and new ones used.

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Moving Closer Towards A Free Pound

From Our Correspondent

London, Mar. 29.

A closer scrutiny of the two measures announced last week for the widening of the scope of sterling in the settlement of international transactions fully confirms the first favourable impression.

Plainly, neither the extension of the "transferable account system" to practically the whole of the non-sterling non-dollar world, nor the re-opening of the London gold market makes the pound one whit more convertible into dollars.

But by reducing the "varieties" of sterling to only three and affording an opportunity for foreigners to buy gold in London with sterling acquired against dollars, British authorities have achieved their aim of improving both the position of London as an international finance centre and the status of sterling as an international currency.

The new moves are in fact a logical step towards the re-creation of a completely free pound and clear proof of the British Government's determination to reach that objective as soon as possible.

The three kinds of sterling that emerge from last week's re-organisation are (1) sterling held by residents of the sterling area which may be used only for settling transactions within the area; (2) sterling held by residents in the dollar area which is fully convertible into any other currency and (3) sterling held by anyone in the rest of the world—with the temporary exception of Turkey, Hungary and Persia.

This may now be used for settling capital as well as current transactions among any countries enjoying rights in transferability and between those countries and the sterling area. But this kind of sterling cannot be used to settle transactions with the dollar area—for the obvious reason that if it could then convertibility would be an accomplished fact.

The simplification of regulations governing the use of sterling in international transactions has been welcomed for a number of reasons.

In the first place it recognised a state of affairs that already existed. For as "The Economist" pointed out this week, "conditions quoted above the official rate of bilateralism and restraint of count countries on others tended to be honoured in breach rather than observance."

"57 VARIETIES"
Secondly by eliminating most of the "57 varieties of sterling" it cut much official red tape and made life generally easier for importers and exporters as well as for banks who had the thankless task of interpreting regulations for their customers.

But most important, the decision indicated official confidence in the strength of sterling. On the foreign exchange market the pound has long been quoted above the official rate against the dollar, and abroad, the discount on transferable sterling has been narrowed to such an extent that it no longer warrants the epithet "cheap sterling."

This confidence was not misplaced. The rate for transferable sterling weakened only slightly from US\$278-1/16 to \$277 when the news was announced and then recovered to \$277 1/2.

The same confidence in the long-term strength of sterling is evident in the decision to re-open the London market after a lapse of almost fifteen years. Indeed this move may be the first tentative step towards the introduction of more flexible exchange rate in the foreign exchange market.

The price of gold on the London market cannot fall below 247/- an ounce—a shilling below the price at which the Bank of England was previously prepared to buy all it was offered—because at that price it becomes profitable to ship gold to the United States Treasury for \$95 an ounce.

GOLD FOR LONDON
But in theory there is no definable ceiling price. In the present circumstances the price is unlikely to rise above 250/- an ounce—the "mint" price of gold based on the sterling-dollar exchange rate and the United States price of gold without allowing for transport costs.

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But it is none the less significant that the British monetary authorities are prepared to allow the re-opening of a

market in which the value of sterling in terms of gold can be measured day by day within a range of prices that are not directly limited.

Meanwhile it is hoped a substantial proportion of newly-mined gold from the Commonwealth will find its way to the London market.

The South African Government has already decided to discontinue the arrangement whereby South African mines were allowed to sell part of their output on the free market. In future the South African Reserve Bank will buy the entire output and resell a "substantial portion of it in London."

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business on the Stock Exchange today amounted to \$339,834.60. Noon quotations and the morning's dealings:

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US Raw Cotton Exports

New York, Mar. 28.

Raw cotton exports to Japan as reported in sales by the New York Cotton Exchange for the season of 1953-54 to March 24 were as follows:

Belgian 24,000
Ceylon 24,000
Czechoslovak 24,000
France 24,000
Germany 24,000
India 24,000
Italy 24,000
Japan 24,000
Korea 24,000
Malaya 24,000
Netherlands 24,000
Philippines 24,000
Portugal 24,000
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Japan To Buy Iranian Rice

Tehran, Mar. 28.

The Japanese government will buy 66,000 tons of Iranian rice at \$102 per ton, Taisan Hirose, the Japanese chargé d'affaires in Tehran, announced today.

The Japanese minister to Iran today visited the Iranian Minister of National Economy to put the final touches on the negotiations which have been going on since last autumn.

Next Saturday Dr. Jaisuk of the Japanese Agriculture Ministry will sign the contract with Iran. Originally the Iranian government proposed selling to Japan 30,000 tons at \$150 per ton—France Press.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, Mar. 28.

Stocks began and ended the past week on a rise with a sharp setback sandwiched in between.

The Monday rise carried industrials to a new high since Oct. 23, 1920 and utilities rose to their best levels since Sept. 2, 1931.

Then came a sharp drop on Tuesday, another on Wednesday and a smaller one on Thursday. The market met support when the industrial average approached the 205 level.

Brokers said the market behaved very well. It was active on the decline for a time but the trading steadily dried up and the list displayed a steadier tone.

Many highly favourable reports appeared for industrial companies last week. General Motors reported stocks of its cars better than anticipated. Westinghouse Electric reported a 15 per cent sales rise in appliances. Texas was cut in measures that appear such to pass.

February dividend payments were reported 35 per cent above the level of a year ago. Commodities advanced with the Dow-Jones index of future prices setting a two-year high. February farm income rose above last year's.

The bad news centred on the railroad companies which reported lower income for February. Pennsylvania Railroad directors took no action on their dividend due at this time. Market men said they were convinced a dividend would be forthcoming later so that the company could maintain its 104-year record of continuous dividend payment.

Railroads were the poorest performers on the market and utilities were the best from an average standpoint.

For sheer resiliency the industrials took top place. They touched 301.80 at the close on Monday. By the close of Thursday they were down 5.20 points from the high at 296.40. They closed on Friday at 299.08, up 2.08 points on the day and off 2.36 points on the week.

Utilities closed at 55.95, off 40 cents. Rails finished off 2.81 points at 99.47 which was only 11 cents above the low set at the close on Thursday—United Press.

Indonesia Faces Crisis In Textile Industry

Singapore, Mar. 28.

Indonesia's textile industry is facing its biggest post-war crisis, said the Singapore Standard Jakarta correspondent in a dispatch today.

About 2,000 mills employing 100,000 workers in West Java are faced with the threat of imminent closure, the dispatch added.

Mill owners, according to the dispatch, have reported to the Government that stocks of weaving yarns have failed to supply the industry at Bandung. They charged that a handful of importers in the Indonesian capital have monopolised the import of weaving yarns and have sold their supplies to a "third party."

The mill owners said this yarn manipulation was slowly forcing the closure of West Java mills. It is understood that the weaving industry affected by the alleged monopoly produce 20 per cent of Indonesia's total textile output. Latest figures showed the Bandung textile industry is producing 1,000,000 yards of cloth monthly and consequently requires about 100,000 spindles of yarn.

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In order to meet the great demand for "tourist" rate travel, the 70 airlines who are members of the International Air Transport Association are putting on a "summer" timetable from April 11 until October 31.

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London Stock Exchange

I.C.I. Issue Ten Times Oversubscribed

From Our Correspondent

London, Mar. 29.

It will be a long time before the London Stock Exchange forgets the Imperial Chemical Industries' Issue.

The £30 million loan of 4 1/2 per cent unsecured stock offered to the company's 250,000 preference and ordinary stockholders was oversubscribed about ten times. Ten per cent of the amounts applied for was payable on application which means that money put up in cash on the first day must have amounted to £30 million.

Even if allowance is made for the applications from "stags" looking for a quick profit when dealings begin the issue was overwhelmingly successful. But this is no more than was expected. New stock has obvious attractions and an opening premium of even before the results became known.

Another successful loan flotation was the Ceylon Government's issue of £5 million of 4 per cent 1973-75 stock at £97. This, too, was an obvious "winner." But its success was doubly certain when the gilt-edged market, helped by the belief that the I.C.I. issue had been oversubscribed began to rise on Thursday—the day that the Ceylon subscription lists were open.

The success of these two issues injected a little life into the gilt-edged market, but by the end of the week, prices were beginning to sag again.

One of the most interesting things about the I.C.I. operation is that it proves there is still a great deal of money looking for first-rate investment.

In some circumstances, the Financial Times commented, the might be a sign of inflation, but this is not the case now. Rather the money comes from genuine savings.

"If the Chancellor is proposing to take some risk in the budget for the sake of stimulating the rate of industrial investment, the I.C.I. figures should provide him with encouragement."

FORD'S PROFIT
In the industrial market interest has been centred mainly on shares that have been the subject of dividend declarations. Ford stood out head and shoulders above the rest. The

other sections of the market, Tobacco came back into favour and Gallaher put on 1/3 to 2/6 on a higher dividend. Otherwise movements were generally erratic and no firm trend emerged, though at the end of the week textiles and stores were finding buyers.

In the foreign bond market, German issues have been surging ahead. Potash "7 1/2" have put on 7 1/2 points to 289 1/2 and Dawes five per cent are up eight points to £90.

NOTICE

The following advertisement has appeared in United Kingdom papers:—

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION

SHIP FOR SALE

1. The Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation invites offers for the purchase from him of the undermentioned ship "as lying" at Hong Kong after removal of certain Naval equipment and stores. If purchased for scrap, certain other equipment will not be included in the sale and will be removed before delivery to purchaser.

2. Offers for this ship will be considered from any person and should be made in writing to the Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Room 4017, Berkeley Square, London, W.1. Envelopes should be clearly marked "offer to purchase" and should reach the Ministry on or before 10th April, 1954.

3. "MAINE" R.N. Hospital Ship of about 7515 G.R.T. 4205 N.E.T. Length 429'3". Breadth 52'2". Built 1925 by Ansaldo, San Giorgio, Genoa, Italy. 8 steam turbines D.M. geared to 2 shafts. 4 water-tube boilers and a single boiler. H.P. 5600. Max. Seagoing speed 13 knots.

4. Further particulars and copies of the form of purchase agreement can be obtained from the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Room 4013, at the above address. (Telephone No. Mayfair 9494. Extension 2830).

5. The Minister will not accept responsibility for any errors or omissions in the particulars and description of the ship or for any information which the person submitting an offer may have obtained from any person whatsoever.

6. The Minister does not bind himself to accept any offer for purchase and his decision in any case must be accepted as final.

A. W. WOOD,
Signed by authority of the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation at Berkeley Square House, London, W.1. this 28th day of March, 1954.

In Hong Kong further particulars and copies of the form of purchase agreement may be obtained from the Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Room 4017, Berkeley Square, London, W.1. (Telephone No. Mayfair 9494. Extension 2830).

Singapore Rubber Market

Singapore, Mar. 28.

